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For : DIAPHRAGM DEVICE OF A TELEVISION CAMERA LENS FOR A  
CCTV SURVEILLANCE CAMERA

**RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir :

In response to the Final Official Action dated August 4, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on November 4, 2005, the period for response having been extended by the enclosed Request for a (three-month) Extension of Time to expire on February 6, 2006 (February 4, 2006 falling on a Saturday), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding objections and rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the pending claims.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.  
**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.